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This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2006, in which the Examiner has finally rejected claims 1-4, 6-8 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,078,360 to Doornhein et al. Applicants acknowledge that the Examiner has allowed claims 5, 9 and 11-13.

Applicants traverse the above rejection and offer the following explanation.

The Doornhein et al. patent discloses a television signal comprising additional data, in which along with a television signal, an additional data signal, comprising static control information bits pertaining to properties of the television signal, is transmitted, received and used by the receiver in processing the corresponding television signal. One property of the television

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